

UNIVERSITIES SEEK HIGHER STANDARDS

Question Discussed at Annual Gathering of Educators at Shoreham.

REPORT IS ADOPTED BY THE ASSOCIATION

Propose to Make American Institutions Compare With Those on Continent.

The National Association of State Universities, through the representatives of those institutions who are attending the thirteenth annual meeting at the shoreham, decided this morning to raise the educational standards higher than has been possible before.

The association, after spending almost the entire morning in discussion, adopted a report of the committee on standards of American universities. While the report is not to be made public for some time, it is understood that there are two prominent features in it.

Both of these are intended, of course, to raise the requirements for admission to American universities. The first is understood to be that two years of college work shall be necessary before entrance to a university be permitted. The second is that no university courses shall take in the freshmen and sophomore years in the colleges of those institutions.

Raise Standard.

It is the intention of the association to so heighten the standard of the American universities, through such requirements as these, that they will be nearly take rank with the older institutions on the continent. These requirements will, of course, not be compulsory on any university, but it is believed that there will be a large number of institutions which will subscribe to these.

Twenty-eight members, representing many different states, are in attendance. The convention closes tonight, after the afternoon and evening sessions being devoted to general educational topics and the election of new officers.

Wisconsin's Solution.

Prof. L. E. Ribber, of Wisconsin, read a widely discussed paper on "Additional Information," yesterday afternoon, saying that Wisconsin had decided that the solution lay in part within the province of the State universities.

A number of States, he said, were doing extensive work by lectures and Wisconsin also offers correspondence study for credit.

"Wisconsin," he said, "has met the obligation by establishing a university extension division as an organic part of the State educational system. In the words of President Van Hise 'the primary purpose of this division is to find a way for every man and woman in the State who otherwise would not have an opportunity to gain an education.'"

Tentative Schemes.

Debating and public discussion, he continued, had gained a considerable hold upon the State, while the farmers are being reached through the agricultural colleges by means of institutes, bulletins and study courses, directly applicable to their occupation.

Other papers read were: "The Problem of Higher Education in States that Maintain More Than One College or University," by Dr. J. H. Johnson, of the University of Kansas; "The Relations of Non-Agricultural State Universities to the Agricultural State Universities," by C. E. MacLean, president of the University of Iowa; "The Organization of a Teachers' College, or College Education in Connecticut," by Dr. J. H. Johnson, of the University of Ohio.

OFFERS BAD CHECKS AND ELUDES WOMAN

Boarding House Keeper Tries to Catch Man Who Swindled Others.

Although pursued by a boarding house keeper who sought to point him out to a policeman as the man who had twice attempted to pass an alleged worthless check on her, a young German swindler is still at large today. He is said to have left a trail of worthless paper about the city.

The man called at the house of Mrs. Mary E. Cone, 225 B street northwest, yesterday, and was immediately recognized as the man who had visited the house several days before, and after saying that he would engage a room, presented a check, which Mrs. Cone didn't cash. Mrs. Cone accused the man of being a swindler, and followed him as far as the street, and followed him in the vain hope of finding a policeman.

Later in the day the same man obtained \$5 on worthless checks from Mrs. G. G. Rorke, of 223 A street northeast.

DON'T WANT GARAGE NEAR THEIR HOMES

Residents Protest Against Location in N Street, Near Twelfth.

Protest against the establishment of a garage in the alley in the rear of N street, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets northwest, was made by residents of the neighborhood at a hearing before the Commissioners today.

J. B. Connolly, spokesman for the protesters, said the necessary number of signatures to the permit for the establishment of the garage was obtained by misrepresenting the facts.

William Hefner, attorney for the Terminal Taxicab Company, the lessees of the building, said that the company has expended \$2,500 on alterations and complied with all the requirements of the law.

The Commissioners reserved decision.

BROTHERS' WIDOWS DIE.

YORK, Pa., Nov. 17.—Two aged friends, widows of brothers, died at their homes within a few blocks of each other here yesterday. They were Mrs. Amanda Elizabeth Allison, aged seventy-five years, and Mrs. Eliza Allison, aged seventy-nine years. Their husbands had been Emanuel and John Allison, partners in the milling business here for years.

SAME PAY, SAME HOURS, IN ALL DEPARTMENTS

No Increase Except by Automatic Promotions Under Civil Service, Is President's Order—Little Hope From Other Sources.

Confirmation of the story printed in The Times that the President had ordered that no increase be made in the salary of Government clerks for a year, came this morning, when the order was given out at the White House. A ray of comfort to the clerks was given, however, in the denial of the published report that the President contemplated adding a half hour to the burden of the clerks' daily work.

Secretary Loeb explained that the no-increase order did not apply to regular promotions under the civil service rules, but that it did forbid the increase of any clerk's or official's salary for the same work. It is understood that a number of heads of departments intended to recommend in their current estimates an increase for subordinate heads of divisions, chief clerks and others. The President's order knocks this intention in the head and means that the payroll must remain the same.

Affects All Branches.

The order affects every branch of the service, for it has been customary each year to recommend that this chief of that chief be given something additional on the annual roll, and the heads of departments have, from time to time, recommended increase for especially meritorious employees. In the immediate future, at least, these employees can look for no betterment of their pecuniary condition unless it be through the automatic promotion scale under the civil service, which the President's order does not affect.

The President's order therefore means that the appropriation for the next fiscal year for running the various departments will go to Congress without recommendation for the increase in salary of any official. It removes, for some time to come, the hope of an increase in pay, unless through automatic promotion, or through act of Congress giving the clerks the much talked of 10 per cent increase. So often has this latter plan failed that the clerks generally will take but little stock in any hope held by more optimistic ones who incline to the belief that Congress may come to the rescue.

No Added Half-Hour.

Secretary Loeb denied the published report that the President had thought of adding an additional half hour to the daily task of the clerks in various departments. The hours are to remain as they are, from 9 to 4:30, with a half hour for lunch.

The secretary said, however, that the no-increase order was forth with taken into effect in order that the Cabinet officers might not include in their estimates a number of recommendations for increases, which it is understood were intended by practically all members of the Cabinet.

Four negroes suspected of having some knowledge of the brutal assault on Mrs. Annie E. Gladman, sixty-two years old, in her confectionery store in the basement of her home, 1220 Twenty-eighth street northwest, last Friday afternoon, are still held at the Seventh precinct police station.

Three of the negroes will probably be released tomorrow unless there is something further to implicate them in the attack, while Captain Schneider said this morning that he will hold Henry Donaldson, of 1423 Thirty-sixth street northwest, until Mrs. Gladman, from whom she can identify her assailant, is in a condition to look at the negro.

Mrs. Gladman told the police that she struck the negro who attacked her in the face with a blackjack. Donaldson has a deep gash in his lower lip which he falls to account for, and the police say they have learned that he was in the vicinity of Mrs. Gladman's home a short time before she was assaulted and robbed.

Besides the money that was taken from the cash drawer, the negro stole an old coin, which was kept as a "lucky piece." Donaldson has in his possession a coin similar to the one taken from Mrs. Gladman's store. Donaldson was released from the workhouse last Friday afternoon.

**BIG FINE IMPOSED
UNDER JUVENILE LAW**

Joseph Shappiro Gets \$50 Sentence for Buying Goods Stolen by Children.

The first conviction under section 24 of the juvenile court laws was obtained yesterday afternoon, when Joseph Shappiro, a junk dealer, was fined \$50, with an alternative of two months in jail. Section 24 provides that any person found guilty of contributing to the delinquency of a minor should be held by the court.

Half a dozen colored children, ranging in age from eight to twelve years—James Blackwell, John Pollard, Harry Jordan, Robert Pratt, Edie Pratt, and Cora Carter—were before Judge De Lacy for stealing a quantity of iron window weights, lead pipe, and wood from a row of new houses in Half street southeast.

All of the children admitted taking the articles, and Blackwell and Pollard told the court that they had sold it to Shappiro. Recalling the fact that he had had the junk dealer before him on a similar charge, on which he was discharged, some time ago, Judge De Lacy said that he was going to impose heavy sentences on all persons convicted before him of aiding minors in disposing of stolen goods.

"Parents, as well as second-hand and junk dealers, should take this as a warning," said the court. "The next time any children are before me for stealing wood from new houses, and I find that the parents use the wood after the children bring it home, I will hold them just as I've held this man today."

**BILIK WILL HANG
ON DECEMBER 11**

Sentence Pronounced After Murderer Had Made Dramatic Plea for His Life.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Herman Bilik, convicted of the murder of the Vrzal family, just before noon today was sentenced to be hanged on Friday, December 11.

The sentence was pronounced after Judge Nease had denied a new trial and a motion for arrest of sentence after Bilik himself had made a dramatic plea for his life.

**IN SUICIDE PACT,
HUSBAND REFUSES**

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Nov. 17.—Incompatibility of temper and jealousy led Abraham Oakum, a business man of this place, and his wife to arrange a suicide pact. Two phials of carbolic acid were procured by her, but when she asked her husband to drink the contents of one he refused.

In a rage she threw the open bottle at him, and in sight of both his eyes was destroyed and his good looks were spoiled forever.

Mrs. Oakum then kept her side of the pact and drank the contents of her bottle. Though terribly burned she may recover, but both are in a critical condition at the Pottsville Hospital.

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**YOUNGEST GOVERNOR
BECOMES BENEDICT**

J. H. Higgins Gives Up Political Career to Make Home for Bride.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Nov. 17.—Gov. James Henry Higgins, the country's youngest governor, was wedded today to Miss Ellen Frances Maguire, of Pawtucket, in the presence of an immense congregation at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Pawtucket, by the rector, the Rev. Father Dennis F. Lowmyer.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Maguire, of 118 Spring street, Pawtucket, at whose home a reception was held shortly before noon, after which the happy couple started on a two weeks' honeymoon. Only the nearest relatives attended the reception.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, who is one of the wealthiest contractors in the Blackstone valley. She was attended by her younger sister, Miss May F. Maguire, Thomas D. Higgins, a brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

Governor Higgins' bride, for whom he is giving up a most promising political career, has been active since her debut more than ten years ago, in social and charitable work.

Governor Higgins is only thirty-two years old. He was a member of the State house of representatives, and was mayor of Nantucket four terms. He is finishing his second term as governor of Rhode Island. He is a graduate of Brown University and of Georgetown Law School.

He declined a renomination for governor, which the Democrats and independent parties pressed him to take, solely because he desired to settle down and make a home for his bride.

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HOMELESS PAINTINGS MAY PROVE TREASURES

Pictures Left by Servant Girl for Lack of Place to Put Them, Set Art Circles Agog—Said to Be Greatest Work of Bolognese Master.

A story of valuable old paintings, thrown about without appreciation, and their final resurrection through local art circles, and the predictions of F. W. G. Boettcher, a well-known scientist and artist, are proved, two of the most valuable finds of ancient art will have been unearthed.

Edward Schmidt, the local bird and animal fancier, came into possession of two very dingy-looking paintings. The pictures were the property of a young woman who had been employed in his establishment. Her parents died, and in rearranging her affairs, she found no place for the pictures and gave them to Mr. Schmidt.

One picture represented Adam and Eve in the Garden, and the other portrayed the expulsion of our first parents from Paradise.

Mr. Schmidt thought little about his new possessions until one day he showed them to Mr. Boettcher. The workmanship was apparently crude to the ordinary observer, but to the practiced eye of Mr. Boettcher they were a revelation. In an instant, he came to the conclusion that underneath the coarse outside finish there must surely be a real work of art, and when he told Mr. Schmidt of his suspicions, the paintings were turned over to Mr. Boettcher for investigation.

Mr. Boettcher could scarcely wait to get to work on the paintings. He skillfully removed a small portion of the paint on one of them, and in a few minutes his hopes were confirmed. The original had been painted over, and as Mr. Boettcher worked away at the canvas, he was more and more convinced that a masterpiece was being revealed.

He removed the upper layer of paint, and now the work has so far progressed that he has no hesitation in saying that Mr. Schmidt possesses a fortune in the paintings.

"If we have the value of these paintings will prove fabulous," said Mr. Boettcher today. "They are the work of some artist of the Bolognese School, and represent the very highest type of art that was produced in Northern Italy in the sixteenth century. I have not yet been able to discern the name of the artist, but I do not despair of ultimately doing so."

"Strange to say," Mr. Boettcher continued, "I found an old print some time ago, the original of which was undoubtedly one of these very same paintings. Mr. Boettcher is having a special studio fitted up, in which to continue work on the paintings. He says the task involves some difficulty and some risks, but he believes the labor will be well worth the result. The striking contrast between the original paintings and the daubs which concealed the pictures is easily apparent. Even one who is not familiar with art can appreciate the remarkable work Mr. Boettcher is doing on the paintings."

It is believed the painting over was done at the time of Napoleon's invasion of various countries of continental Europe, when many works of art, which were in danger of falling into the hands of the French, were similarly treated. Mr. Boettcher said, "The beauty of the head of Eve in the picture of the expulsion from the garden is equal to anything with which I am acquainted among the greatest masterpieces."

Mr. Boettcher is well known as an artist in Government circles, having done special work at the Smithsonian Institution, the Bureau of Ethnology, and Geological Survey in delicate handling of subjects of scientific value. He has graduated from one of the finest art schools in Germany, and has studied under some of the greatest modern masters.

**CASHER ARRESTED;
ASSISTANT MISSING**

National Bank in Kentucky Town Closed—Shortage \$22,000.

MONTICELLO, Ky., Nov. 17.—The Citizens' National Bank has been closed, its cashier, Charles W. McConnaghy, arrested, and a search instituted for Assistant Cashier E. I. Winfrey.

McConnaghy was taken immediately to Somerset for hearing before United States Commissioner Cook. The shortage is estimated at \$22,000. The deposits are said to have amounted to \$50,000.

The closing of the bank was first made known to the Comptroller of the Currency by the president of the bank, who said that there had been a run and that the institution was in serious straits.

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